Sub-County Statistical Analysis & Visualization using ArcGIS Pro & Python Robert Gottlieb and Jenny Durica - ISDH 9:30 - 10:20 am

Bios:

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Abstract:

This presentation will feature a method of analyzing and visualizing sub-county statistics called Geographically Uniform Multi-Scale Smoothing (GUMSS). GUMSS allows sharing of aggregated health data at a sub-county scale while protecting privacy. It also avoids using geographies of inconsistent sizes (e.g. Census tracts and zip codes) while accounting for differences in the sizes of urban and rural populations. Results are analyzed and displayed on a grid of diamonds. GUMSS will be applied to a case study of birth risk factors and infant mortality. The process includes ArcPro and Python, and the results can be shared using ArcGIS Online.

